



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Veterans Health Administration

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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FROM: Department of Veterans Affairs.
SUBJECT: **PREBID RFI**

1. Confirm that all kitchen equipment is not part of this contract and is not to be part of Bid Item 3: Alternate #15.

HMC: All kitchen equipment is part of the contract – see the cover sheet for the alternated and specification number 11 31 00. They should be included in Bid Item 3: Alternate #15.

2. Please clarify per Evaluation Factor #2 Prime Previous Experience Sub-factors, do we need to submit 1 LEED Silver Certified Construction Project for any facility and 2 new medical facility construction projects?

VA: Please submit a minimum of two projects that meet the requirements of the evaluation factor. These same projects may count for LEED and New Medical if they meet those requirements. For the sub-factors, provide as many LEED Silver Certified projects that have been completed in the last five years. If none, then state none. Same for the New Medical Facility construction in the last five years. The only information required for the LEED and New Medical projects is a brief description, a location, and a point of contact for the project.

3. Specification Section 04 72 00, Cast Stone Masonry, Part 2.3A requires the color and finish to match the sample on file. If there a photo available of this Cast Stone Sample that you can provide?

HMC: Manufacturer-Eldorado Stone; Product-stacked stone; color-Mountain Blend; Wall Cap-Eldorado Stone; Product-snapped edge cap; color-sand.

4. Amendment 8 provided specification section 12 93 00 – Site Furnishings and a bike rack – Steelcraft WBR-700 Product sheet. Part 2.01A of Spec Section 12 93 00 required a 4 ½" pipe size and the Steelcraft product sheet shows a 2 3/8" pipe size. Please clarify what we are to use.

HMC: Use Steelcraft product specified.

5. Per Specification 23 25 00 2.3B(2) pH level to be maintained through continuously monitoring pH controller. In the same specification 2.3C(15b) Acid shall not be used to control pH. Clarify if pH control is required?

HMC: pH control is required and shall be provided with the Cooling Tower. Please omit paragraph 2.3C(15b), acid will be required to maintain pH level.

6. Per Specification 23 25 00 2.3Q(3) pressure loss shall be between 5-12 psi. Will the fluid cooler circulating pumps have enough pressure to operate the unit with this pressure loss?

HMC: The Cooling Tower Pump for the open system side comes with the Tower and shall be pre-piped and sized properly to handle pressure drop for Solid Separator required per specification. This separator is also pre-piped with Cooling Tower by the manufacturer.

7. Specification 23 25 00 2.3E shows requirement for injection nozzles. Are these required as the water treatment chemicals will be injected down stream of controller conductivity sensor and flow switch which is a ¾" line.

HMC: The automatic chemical feed system and injectors are required to be provided by manufacturer and pre-piped into the system.

8. Are there any water treatment installation drawings?

HMC: The water treatment installation drawing shall be included as part of the Cooling Tower Equipment submittal since it is part of the Cooling Tower by manufacturer.